European Institute for Gender Equality

About EIGE

Our Vision and Mission

The European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) is an autonomous body of the European Union, established to contribute to and strengthen the promotion of gender equality, including gender mainstreaming in all EU policies and the resulting national policies, and the fight against discrimination based on sex, as well as to raise EU citizens’ awareness of gender equality.

Equality between women and men is a fundamental value of the European Union. Therefore ‘Making equality between women and men a reality for all Europeans and beyond’ is our vision.

As an autonomous body, EIGE operates within the framework of European Union policies and initiatives. The European Parliament and the Council of the European Union defined the grounds for the Institute's objectives and tasks in its Founding Regulation and assigned it the central role of addressing the challenges of and promoting equality between women and men across the European Union.

Our mission is to become the European knowledge centre on gender equality issues.

2019-2021 Key objectives and priorities

EIGE’s three strategic objectives for the programming period 2019 to 2021 are as follows:

- To provide high quality research and data to support better informed and evidence based decision-making by policymakers and other key stakeholders working to achieve gender equality;
- To manage all knowledge produced by EIGE to enable timely and innovative communication that meets the targeted needs of key stakeholders;
- To meet the highest administrative and financial standards while supporting the needs of
EIGE's personnel.